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ATR,

I was sad to see that Microsoft case has gone from almost a break up of the company to a slap on the hand indicating everything they have done or planning to do is ok and does not impede technology in the world. I believe the court may have better understanding of these issues were they more computer oriented/related in their field to see the repercussions Microsoft has put upon us. Don't get me wrong, I use Microsoft but am limited to only using Microsoft due to their thwarting of the market. I attempt to use other software types and vendors but are limited to the "May not work with Microsoft." Have you seen the new XP and passport software? It has to be the most monopolistic, big brother approach I have ever seen. The fees charged by Microsoft for the latest software scheme also forces a company to only use their software for a long period of time. I thought great I just wont use Passport because I don't want my personal info shared with Microsoft - when I tried for support they said it was required to have passport filled out before continuing. Did you ever wonder why other countries ie China have banned Microsoft within their country? There is no longer competition in the market. A break-up would have spurred more competition and economic growth.

Anyhow as a general citizen I thought I would express my feelings hoping to relay that not only the states, but millions of people are under the 'mafia-like' stronghold that Microsoft has put upon us and we don't like it.

If you'd like peoples opinion, post it on the web in visible places - not hidden in the Judgment court orders.

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